

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 3-16 are pending in the application.

Claims 1 and 3-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Hermann, Mallott, and Van Dyk, Jr.

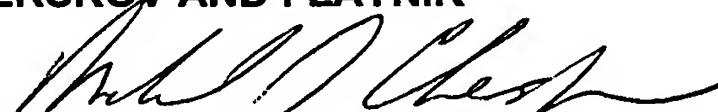
Claims 1 and 3-6 are presently canceled.

Claim 2 had been canceled previously.

Claims 7-16 have been allowed. The Applicant appreciates this allowance.

An earnest attempt has been made hereby to respond to the Examiner's December 29, 2004 Official Action, marked Final. The application has been amended in accordance with the Examiner's instructions to place this case in condition for allowance. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference will expedite allowance, he is respectfully urged to contact the undersigned. Claims 7-16 are currently pending in the application. Allowance is hereby solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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